**Bmhaimtntal pollution by fertiliser piant In Gajraula**

55. SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA:
SHRi SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:

Wil] *the.* PRIME MINISTER be pleased io state:

(a) whether Government" are aware of the high environmental pollution with fas and acid fumes from a fertiliser and acid plant in ibe Gajraula (Moradabad) industrial area, causing various types of diseases among the residents of the surrounding areas beside-; cattle deaths; and

(b) if so. what steps have been taken by Governrrent in the matter'

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN IHE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) The Government is aware of the pollution problems f;om the fertilizer and acid plant st Gajraula. Moradabad. However, there is no conclusive evidence as to whether the plant is directly responsible for disease among t| e residents 0f tne surrounding areas and cattle deaths.

tb) At the instance of the U. P. State Pollution Control Board, the measures which hate been taken in the plant include the following:—

—Switch over to double conversion double absorption process to raduce emission of sulphur dioxide;

—Scrubbers for separation uf alkali;

—Acid-mist eliminators; and

—Recycling of treated wastes.

**Traces of radioactive fall out from Chernobyl in Air India flights**

56. SHRI J. P. GOYAL:
SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA;

Wiii *ihe* PRIME MINISTER be pleased to Oatc:

*ia)* whether it is a fact that tr;tc.js of radioactive fall out from the accident in I Chernobyl Power Plant in tb* Soviet Union were detected recently jn Air India flights comign from that country; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof, stating die measures taken by Government tht natter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISIRY CF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGV AND IN THE D&PAjtl'MENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL), (a) Yes, Sir.

• b) Rid:oictive fall out from Cherrobyl Power Plant accident was detected first in a flight coming from Moscow on May 2. 1986 and thereafter it wns detected on the New York-Bombay arid Tokyo Bootbay fights as well. The levels of rac>o-Bvtivity were too small to warrant any sptcial measures.

**Secessionist activities in the North-Eastern States**

57. SHRI CHITTA BASU:
SHRI RAMKRISHNA MAZUMDER;

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleascd to state.

(a) whether Government are 1*312 of the recent spurt of secessionist activities in the North Eastern States;

(b) if sc. whether this is a result of ihe increasing involvement of foreign agenciis in such activities: and

(c) what steps have been taken by Governnment in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL SECURITY (SHRi ARUN NEHRU): (a) and